



Girls Incorporated of Dothan

2011 Summer Scholarship Application

Girls Incorporated of Dothan is happy to offer a scholarship program for our members. This program is offered to girls who attend the afterschool and/or summer program. The scholarship application period for the Summer program will run from April 11th to May 20th, 2011.

ALL necessary documents needed to evaluate your application **MUST BE TURNED IN** to Girls Incorporated of Dothan by **5:30 P.M. ON MAY 20TH**.

ANY DOCUMENT RECEIVED AFTER 5:30 P.M. ON MAY 20TH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR A SCHOLARSHIP. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE FOR ANY REASON.

Scholarships are awarded based on the amount of money raised by the Administrative staff and Board of Directors each year. Therefore, the dollar amount and number of scholarships varies, and may change without notice.

NOT EVERY APPLICANT THAT APPLIES WILL RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need, and then on a first come, first serve basis.

- You MUST meet the Federal poverty guidelines plus 10% for full scholarship or 20% for partial scholarship.
- You also MUST be employed a minimum of 30 hours a week, enrolled in college (proof of college enrollment is REQUIRED) or actively seeking employment.
- If you were a past recipient of a scholarship, your daughter's attendance and behavior, as well as other give back requirements will be considered.

ALL of the following documents MUST be provided for your application to be considered and MUST be turned in by 5:30 p.m. on May 20th.

- The completed scholarship application and summer registration form.
- Award letter for TANF or food stamps, if applicable.
- Verification from your daughter's school that she receives free/reduced lunch.
- Most current W-2 or two most recent paystubs to verify income.
- Proof of all income to include child support, VA, social security benefits, etc. Failure to provide accurate and complete information or information that cannot be verified will result in your application being denied.
- Verification of all allowable expenses listed below:

Rent/Mortgage	Medical Expenses
Utility	Childcare Expenses
Phone Bill	Student Loan
Car Payment	Insurance

Girls Incorporated of Dothan reserves the right to determine which expenses are allowable for scholarship consideration.

Girls Inc. Scholarship Application

This form MUST be completed in its entirety for it to be considered.

Date of Application: _____

Child(ren)'s Name: _____

Age(s): _____ Dates of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone/Cell: _____

List any other individuals living in the home besides you and your daughter(s), and include their ages and relationship to you: _____

Tell us why you cannot pay the full fee for your daughter(s) to participate in Girls Inc. programming.

PARENT/GUARDIAN EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Mother/Stepmother's Name: _____

Are you employed? _____ If so, where? _____

What days do you work? _____ Hours: _____

Work Phone: _____

Father/Stepfather's Name: _____

Are you employed? _____ If so, where? _____

What days do you work? _____ Hours: _____

Work Phone: _____

If you are determined eligible for a scholarship, you must meet the following criteria to remain eligible for a scholarship. Please initial each requirement.

_____ Each parent in the home MUST participate in work activity a minimum of 30 hours a week, or be enrolled in college for a minimum of 20 hours a week (proof of college enrollment is REQUIRED).

_____ If unemployed, each parent in the home MUST be conducting job searches or volunteer for a minimum of 30 hours a week, and provide verification of such activities each week.

_____ Your daughter(s) MUST:

- attend a minimum of 4 days a week. Documented illness or family emergency is the only exception to this rule
- adhere to all center policies and rules of conduct
- have no negative conduct at school resulting in suspension, expulsion, or alternative school nor involvement with law enforcement because of her actions.

Any scholarship recipient that does not meet these requirements will be in danger of losing her scholarship.

_____ Any scholarship recipient that is picked up late more than 3 times in one calendar month will have her scholarship suspended.

_____ Parents/guardians MUST attend all parent nights, orientations, open houses, and other events as directed by the organization.

_____ Parents/guardians will conduct themselves in a manner acceptable in normal business settings when in the center, attending and/or participating in any Girls Inc. related function.

_____ Give Back Requirements for Employed Parents/Guardians:

- Must donate \$30 a month in cash, check or credit card **OR**
- Donate \$30 in supplies (i.e. paper towels, trashbags, pencils, paper) by the last day of each month.

_____ Give Back Requirements for Unemployed or College Attending Parents/Guardians:

- Must donate \$15 a month in cash, check or credit card **OR**
- Donate \$15 in supplies (i.e. paper towels, trash bags, pencils, paper) by the last day of each month.

Attached is a list of items that could be donated to Girls Inc. each month to meet your requirement. However, you are not limited to this list. You can call the center any time to find out what other items are needed or to suggest items for donations. Also, if there is something that you enjoy doing such as tutoring, cooking, sewing, cleaning, decorating, etc. please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate your interests as part of your monthly give back.

Signature and Agreement Page

I have read and understand the requirements for applying for a Girls Inc. of Dothan scholarship for the Summer of 2011. I also understand I must turn in the application and all necessary verification documents on or before 5:30 p.m. on May 20th. **If I fail to do so, my application will not be considered.** I understand that this deadline will not be extended for any reason. I understand that if my daughter is granted a scholarship that I must meet all obligations required if I wish to have the scholarship continued. I understand that failing to comply with any requirement will result in the scholarship being suspended. I understand that scholarships are not guaranteed to anyone and are decided on an as needed basis in addition to the requirements stated in the application. I understand that the decision to grant my scholarship is the sole responsibility of the Girls Inc. administrative staff and their decision is final. I also understand that the scholarship may be full, partial or denied. My signature below indicates my understanding of and agreement with the requirements of the scholarship process.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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 - Car Insurance

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Reminder: You are required to GIVE BACK each month as a scholarship recipient, and donations must be made by the LAST DAY of each month. There are NO exceptions to this rule.

Monthly Donation Items List

Notebook paper
Pencils
Crayons
Markers
Dry Erase Markers
Pens
Generic sodas
Juice boxes
Paper plates
Paper towels
Napkins
Trash Bags
Band Aids
Antibacterial Hand Gel
Copy paper
Construction Paper
Lysol Disinfectant Spray
Poster Board
Index cards
Rulers
Ziplock Bags (any size)

Typically if we are in need of particular items, that information will be made available to you when you receive your monthly give back reminder. Remember, if there is something that you enjoy doing such as tutoring, cooking, sewing, cleaning, decorating, etc. please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate your interests as part of your monthly give back requirement.